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Subject: RE: Response for Speaker Kotek on Portland Harbor/Duwamish comparison
Date: Tuesday, June 28, 2016 9:47:13 AM

Hello AmyBeth,

You are correct that Portland Harbor is unique; there are site-specific reasons for the proposed cleanup of this stretch of the Willamette River. There are other Superfund river cleanups, including some on the East Coast, such as the Hudson River. There is information about other cleanups on EPA's Superfund website:

<https://www.epa.gov/superfund>

There is also a Superfund hotline that provides information:

<https://www.epa.gov/home/epa-hotlines>

You are also correct that some areas of the river are unsuitable for cleanup by dredging.

Our Superfund Remedial Program Manager, Cami Grandinetti, is aware of your questions and will be at the meeting in Portland on Wednesday, so you may want to talk to her then.

With my regards,

Cindy Schuster

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From: Rep Kotek [<mailto:rep.tinakotek@state.or.us>]

Sent: Monday, June 27, 2016 5:22 PM

To: Schuster, Cindy <Schuster.Cindy@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Response for Speaker Kotek on Portland Harbor/Duwamish comparison

Cindy, thank you for the info on the Duwamish. Is there another river that is comparable in size to the Willamette ? I know that Portland Harbor is a unique case but it would be helpful to have some knowledge of other sites. Is there a site that has been completed that is somewhere near the scale of the Willamette?

Another question that the Speaker has is about dredging. Do you have any information on what percentage of the river is able to be dredged? We heard at a community meeting that some areas are not able to be dredged because of depth or the river structure.

I understand that you all are busy with this project, so I will likely use my time on Wednesday visiting the tables to ask these questions as well.

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Hello AmyBeth,

This is in response to your inquiry last week about dredging, capping and natural recovery at the Portland Harbor Superfund site, in comparison to the Lower Duwamish Waterway Superfund site. Attached is a page from the record of decision for the Duwamish site, with acreage for the different components of the cleanup.

With my regards,

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